

Joseph's Dreams

One day Joseph, one of Jacob's twelve sons, was tending sheep for his father, Jacob. Now Jacob loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, and he made a special coat of many colors for him. When his brothers saw that their father loved Joseph more than them, they were jealous and couldn't be nice to him.

Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they were even more jealous. He said to them, "Listen to this dream I had: We were gathering bundles of grain out in the field when suddenly my bundle rose and stood upright, while your bundles gathered around mine and bowed down to it."

Then he had another dream, and he told it to his brothers. "Listen," he said, "I had another dream, and this time the sun and moon and eleven stars were bowing down to me." And they hated him all the more because of his dream and what he had said.

When he told his father as well as his brothers, his father said, "Will your mother and I and your brothers actually bow down before you?"¹¹ His brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the matter in mind.

Joseph's brothers were so mad at him, that when they saw him coming towards them in the fields, they plotted to hurt him.

"Here comes that dreamer!" they said to each other. "Let's throw him into one of these wells and tell father that a wild beast killed him. That will be the end of his dreams."

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they tore off his coat—the coat of many colors his father had given him—and they threw him into the well. The well had no water in it.

Later, they looked up and saw some slave traders coming and sold Joseph to them for money. Then they took Joseph's coat, killed a goat and dipped the coat in the blood. They took the coat of many colors back to their father, Jacob, and he cried because he thought Joseph was dead.

Joseph Puppet Script

Once a long, long time ago
There was a boy his name was Joe (Joseph appears)
His father Jacob was the son
Of Isaac, Abraham's little one.

Jacob had a lot of sons,
But Joseph was his favorite one.
"Look!" he said, "Here's something new.
I've made a special coat for you!" (Joseph raises up to show coat)
This made Joseph very glad,
But it made his brothers very mad! (angry brothers appear) (Jacob goes)

Joseph had a dream one night. (brothers go away)
He dreamed the sun was shining bright, (sun appears)
And he was gathering some wheat
His family was sure to eat.

All of a sudden his sheaf of wheat (large sheaf of wheat appears)
Stood straight and tall in the summer heat.
His brother's wheat came all around (11 smaller sheaves appear)
And started bowing to the ground. (they bow)

Then Joseph dreamed another dream. (sheaves disappear)
He wondered what this dream could mean.
He saw the sun and moon at night. (sun and moon appear on either side of Joseph)
He saw eleven stars so bright (stars appear above Joseph)
They came and made a ring of light

And bowed before him in the night. (they bow)

His brothers did not like his dreams (brothers appear)
And all of them began to scheme
They grabbed him in the field one day (grab Joseph and lower him behind stage)
And took his precious coat away. (take coat off below stage, then raise Joseph up again)

Next they threw him in a pit, (Throw Joseph in lower level)
They weren't sad, no not one bit
Then they sold him to some men.
They thought they'd never see him again!

But God kept Joseph safe and sound, (Joseph appears happy)
Kept him from dangers all around.
Cause God, He meant it all for good,
Took care of Joe...we knew He would!



Joseph's Song

To the tune of "London Bridge"

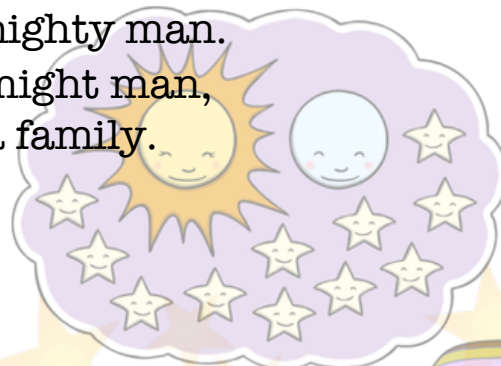
Joseph's father had twelve sons,
Had twelve sons, had twelve sons.
Joseph's father had twelve sons,
Oh, what a family.

Joseph's father loved him best,
Loved him best, loved him best.
Joseph's father loved him best,
Oh, what a family.

A coat of many colors was his pride,
Was his pride, was his pride.
A coat of many colors was his pride,
Oh, what a family.

His brothers threw him in a pit,
In a pit, in a pit.
His brothers threw him in a pit,
Oh, what a family.

He became a mighty man,
Mighty man, mighty man.
He became a mighty man,
Oh, what a family.



I've Got Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river
In my soul

I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river
In my soul

I've got love like an ocean
I've got love like an ocean
I've got love like an ocean
In my soul

I've got love like an ocean
I've got love like an ocean
I've got love like an ocean
In my soul

I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain
In my soul

I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain
In my soul



Joseph

Memory Verse



“But God was with Joseph
and saved him from
all his troubles.”

Acts 7:9-10



Joseph's Coat and Dreams

Application Questions

Do you know what it means to be jealous? (may have to prompt, to want something someone else has, etc.)

1. Why were Joseph's brothers jealous of him? (his dad gave him a nice coat)
2. Would that make you jealous? (yes, no, explain, stories)
3. Joseph's brothers also got mad about his dreams. Why? (might have to prompt, they didn't like the idea that they might one day serve Joseph, they thought that he thought he was better than them)
4. Do we sometimes have to do what others tell us to do (serve others)? How? (yes, mommy's and daddy's ask us to pick up our toys, make our bed, put our dishes in the sink, teachers tell us to push our chairs under the tables, walk slowly, stand in line)
5. Should it make us mad to (do what they say) serve them? (no)
6. When Joseph's brothers sold him, God was with him. Is God always with us in our troubles? (yes)

Joseph Crafts



Make Joseph's beautiful multicolored coat with cut up paper!

<http://www.crayonfreckles.com/2013/07/joseph-and-coat-of-many-colors-bible.html>



Or what about this cool Joseph puppet made from a paper sack and colored paper?

<https://www.prekinders.com/joseph-and-the-coat-of-many-colors-puppet/>



Why do gingerbread men have to be just for Christmas? Make Joseph gingerbread men!

<https://nl.pinterest.com/eisn/bible-based/>



Joseph's Coat of Many Colors Texture Craft
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Do you have some leftover ribbon, buttons or beads around? Make this awesome "Joseph's Coat" collage!

<https://i.pinimg.com/originals/33/2b/b6/332bb68db5046b7c2e58f8cd3f2c314f.jpg>



Draw a simple coat and make it "multicolored" by filling it in with Fruit Loops! (or M&M's!)

<http://ver70.blogspot.com/2011/04/joseph-and-his-coat.html>



Or make your own Joseph costume with a paper grocery sack and colored paper!

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